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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

11:30 [webcast] Conference Room 2

The President of the General Assembly will hold an informal briefing for delegations on the logistical arrangements for the High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals to be held on Thursday, 21 April 2016. For more information, please *click here*.

The President of the General Assembly will also brief on the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the World Drug Problem to be held from Tuesday, 19 April to Thursday, 21 April 2016. For more information, please *click here*.

15:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

There will be a briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the organizational arrangements for the Friday, 22 April 2016 high-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement. Representatives from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG), the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA), the Department of Public Information (DPI) and the Department of Safety and Security (DSS) will be present at the meeting.

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

Disarmament Commission
2016 substantive session

Working Group II

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of participants are invited to communicate to the Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, via note verbale (e-mail leu@un.org fax 1 (212) 963-5305), *as soon as possible*, the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Disarmament Commission.]

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

1. Final report of the Panel of Experts on Liberia pursuant to paragraph 3 (a) of resolution 2237 (2015)
2. Other matters

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council
2016 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room A

On the preparation of the draft outcome of the forum on financing for development follow-up, convened by the co-facilitators (Benin and Croatia). For more information on the forum, please *click here*.

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-ninth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 2nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4
Overflow room: Conference Room 6

1. Opening statements

   Secretary-General of the United Nations

   Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

   Director of the Population Division in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs

2. Election of officers [item 1]

3. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/CN.9/2016/1 and E/CN.9/2016/L.1) [item 2]

   Report of the Bureau of the Commission on Population and Development on its intersessional meetings (E/CN.9/2016/2)

4. Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (E/CN.9/2016/3, E/CN.9/2016/4 and E/CN.9/2016/5) [item 3]

   Keynote statement and interactive discussion

12:00 — Professor Lisa Bersales, Chief Statistician of the Philippines and Co-Chair of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals indicators

15:00 to 18:00 — 3rd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

1. Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (E/CN.9/2016/3, E/CN.9/2016/4 and E/CN.9/2016/5) [item 3]

2. General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda (E/CN.9/2016/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/7, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/8, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/9, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/10, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/11, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/12, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/13, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/14, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/15, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/16, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/17, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/18, E/CN.9/2016/NGO/19 and E/CN.9/2016/NGO/20) [item 4]

   General discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 6

On the zero-draft resolution on the special theme of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair Ms. Nadine Skale (Germany), and Mr. Franklyn Brima Fawundu (Sierra Leone). Subsequent dates and times for informal consultations will be announced in the *Journal*, at a later date.

[Information on *side events*, or activities organized outside the formal programme of the session of the Commission can be accessed by *clicking here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Member

States that are not members of the Commission, non-member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions are also requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Kindly note that only those observers who have confirmed their participation will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4, on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

The *lists of speakers* for all agenda items are open. Requests for inscription in the list of speakers should be sent *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). In accordance with the programme of work, the general discussion under agenda item 4 (General debate on national experience in population matters: strengthening the demographic evidence base for the post-2015 development agenda), will be held from Monday, 11 April 2016 (for more details, please consult the organization of work in document E/CN.9/2016/L.1).

Delegations are advised that statements made by individual States should not exceed *five minutes*; statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*; and statements made by observers should not exceed *four minutes*.
For *statements and PaperSmart arrangements*, delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the forty-ninth session of the Commission. The official documentation and statements for the meetings will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal (http://papersmart.unmeetings.org/ecosoc/cpd/49th-session/programme/) in all available official languages.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org at least *one hour* in advance of their designated speaking slot and to bring 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The date and time of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the portal.

For information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

For the *election of the Bureau of the fiftieth session*, the Commission will hold the first meeting of its fiftieth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, immediately following the closure of its forty-ninth session.]

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Event on "United Nations Peace Operations Review" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Ethiopia, Norway and the Republic of Korea, and the International Peace Institute (IPI))

09:30 to 17:30 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Park Jang-ho, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail jhpark00@mofa.go.kr; tel. 1 (212) 439-4038).

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:30 to 11:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Briefing on the Core Commitments for Roundtables of the World Humanitarian Summit (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

10:00 to 11:00 [webcast] Conference Room 12

Natural Disasters and Climate Change: Managing Risks and Crises Differently

11:00 to 12:00 [webcast] Conference Room 12

Leave No One Behind: A Commitment to Address Forced Displacement

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Laura Rodriguez (e-mail rodriguez14@un.org; tel. 1(212) 963-2770)).

Launch of the *2016 Economic Report on Africa*, entitled "Greening Africa's Industrialization" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the African Union Commission (AUC), and the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

10:00 to 12:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo, OSAA (e-mail nkolo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8203).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Briefing on "Inquiry: Design of a Sustainable Financial System" (organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) New York Office)

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 1

All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Olivier Lavagne, UNEP (e-mail olivier.lavagne@unep.org).

Consultation on "The UNAOC Baku Global Forum Declaration" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

15:30 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

Annual commemoration of the International Day of Reflection on the Genocide in Rwanda (7 April) (organized by the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Rwanda)

15:30 [webcast] General Assembly Hall

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Brigitta Gabulya Uri, DPI (e-mail gabulyauri@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3604). To register, please *click here*.

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

16:15 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link
www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Informal Dialogues with Candidates for the Position of the next Secretary-General

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

09:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Mr. Igor Lukšić, Montenegro

11:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Ms. Irina Bokova, Bulgaria

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Mr. António Guterres, Portugal

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

09:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Mr. Danilo Türk, Slovenia

11:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Mr. Vesna Pusić, Republic of Croatia

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Ms. Natalia Gherman, Republic of Moldova

Thursday, 14 April 2016

11:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Ms. Helen Clark, New Zealand

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Srgjan Kerim, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Letters from the President of the General Assembly dated 25 February 2016 and 29 March 2016 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

For the vision statements and other pertinent information, please *click here*.

Friday, 15 April 2016

10:00 General Assembly Hall

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting to consider draft resolution A/70/L.44 (to be issued) submitted under agenda item 13 (Improving global road safety); and sub-item (b) of agenda item 113 (Election of thirty members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law).

High-Level Thematic Debate on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals
Thursday, 21 April 2016

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 4 December 2015 and 18 January 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

For more information on the event, please *click here*. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary segment are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Statements in the plenary segment should not exceed *three minutes*.

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab.

The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request.

For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact bilats-msu@un.org.

Thirtieth special session of the General Assembly on the World Drug Problem
Tuesday, 19, Wednesday, 20, and Thursday, 21 April 2016

Pursuant to resolutions 67/193 of 20 December 2012, 69/200 of 18 December 2014 and 70/181 of 17 December 2015, the General Assembly will hold the thirtieth special session on the World Drug Problem. The thirtieth special session shall consist of a general debate and five interactive, multi-stakeholder round tables. Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings, should contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082). To enable maximum participation within the limited time available, statements in the plenary meetings should not exceed *three minutes* when speaking in national capacity and *five minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. In order to promote interactive and substantive discussions; participation in the round tables will be conducted without a list of speakers. However, Member States, Observer States and Observers are encouraged to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082) in which of the round tables they wish to intervene.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the thirtieth special session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (Room S-3633; tel. 1 (917) 367-5133).

For more information, please *click here*. For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

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Second Committee

Informal meeting

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Convened by the co-facilitators (Australia and Rwanda) of the discussion on the organization of the agenda of the Second Committee

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Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

Monday, 2 May 2016

10:00 Conference Room 3

The status of preparedness of documentation *will be issued* in document A/C.5/70/L.33.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any change or update to their official list of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and/or completing form A/INF/70/2 and sending it to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

10:00 276th meeting (closed) Conference Room 8

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

15:00 2nd meeting Conference Room 2

The document to be considered by the Special Committee at the meeting is contained in A/AC.109/2016/19.

Non-Committee members wishing to participate are kindly requested to communicate to the Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3266; Room S-3062; with copy to Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org; Room S-3055; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of their representative(s) who will attend the meeting.

Committee on Conferences
Organizational session for 2016

Monday, 25 April 2016

15:00 Conference Room 5

To elect the Bureau for 2016 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda contained in document A/AC.172/2016/L.1, which includes an agenda item on the review of the

proposed strategic framework for the period of 2018-2019 (A/71/6 (Prog.1)). For all relevant documents of the Committee please click here.

The session will be PaperSmart. Official documentation of the session will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32 (Supp), and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32 (Supp), non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-sixth session
(6-24 June 2016)

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information. The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 20 May 2016*.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-700 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943); or by e-mail to contributions@un.org.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Nineteenth session
Organizational meeting

Thursday, 14 April 2016

10:00 to13:00 Conference Room 1

To elect the Committee's Bureau for the coming two years. The organizational meeting will also adopt the provisional agenda and approve the organization of work for the nineteenth session. For this purpose, regional groups are kindly reminded to submit to the secretariat the names of their nominees for the respective positions on the Committee's Bureau, as follows: President (African States), three Vice-Presidents (Latin American and Caribbean States, Eastern European States, and Western European and other States), and Rapporteur (Asia-Pacific States), and to please convey the names of the nominees to Mr. Cosmas Gitta, Assistant Director, Policy and United Nations Affairs, United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (e-mail

cosmas.gitta@undp.org). The documents for the organizational meeting are contained in SSC/19/L.1, SSC/19/L.2 and SSC/19/L.3.

Security Council

Thursday, 14 April 2016

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Countering Terrorism, in connection with the agenda item "Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406), starting on *Monday, 11 April 2016*. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism and the 1267/1989/2253 ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee

Joint briefing

Thursday, 14 April 2016

11:00 Conference Room 2

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism and the 1267/1989/2253 ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee will hold an open briefing with Member States and the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) on "Countering the Financing of Terrorism and Depriving Terrorist Groups, particularly Al-Qaida, ISIL (Da'esh) and their Affiliates, from their Sources of Funding".

The joint briefing will enable the two Committees, Member States, and relevant international and regional organizations to discuss new and emerging terrorism-financing trends and challenges to information-sharing at the national, international and regional levels, including with the private sector; and to highlight initiatives to help States enhance their information-sharing and thereby strengthen global efforts to prevent and counter terrorism financing.

The briefing will consist of keynote addresses by the two Committee Chairs and the President of the FATF, as well as three substantive sessions, arranged in a "presentation and discussion" format to encourage interactive discussion. The participants will initially consider (i) methods used by terrorists to raise and channel funds; (ii) new and emerging terrorism-financing trends and challenges in the context of information-sharing at the national, international and regional levels, including with the private sector; and (iii) initiatives to help States enhance their information-sharing to strengthen global efforts to prevent and counter terrorism financing.

The joint briefing will be open to Member States, United Nations entities, intergovernmental organizations, specialized agencies, and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

Inquiries should be addressed to Mr. Matteo Sestito, CTED Associate Political Affairs Officer (e-mail sestito@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Informal informal consultations

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room C

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

The facilitator (Switzerland) will convene informal informal consultations on the scope and methodology of the Global Sustainable Development Report. For information on the report, please *click here*.

Dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Workshop 5 of the Economic and Social Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Honduras). The workshop will focus on the functions and impact of the United Nations development system, as well as its funding practices. The programme of the workshop is available by *clicking here*.

For information on the second phase of the dialogue, please *click here* or contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Mr. Kirit Patel, e-mail patelk@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3944). Information on the dialogue is available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

Forum on financing for development follow-up

Monday, 18, to Wednesday, 20 April 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/192 and Economic and Social Council decision 2016/210, the inaugural meeting of the forum will be convened by the President of the Council (Republic of Korea). Pursuant to Council decision 2016/211,

the theme of the meeting will be "Financing for sustainable development: follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda". The forum will include the special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. The forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

The *general debate* will be held on Monday, 18 April, from 11:30 to 13:00, and on Wednesday, 20 April, from 16:30 to 17:30. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscription to the list of speakers will close by *17:00, on Friday, 15 April 2016*. The time limit set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building. Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their Permanent Mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request. For further information regarding bilateral requests, contact bilats-msu@un.org. Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office (*click here*). For further details, contact Ms. Dominika Halka, FFDO/Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653). For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the forum to the Secretary of the Council (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

PaperSmart arrangements will be offered as an additional service to the meetings of the forum. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal of the Council should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date and topic of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available in the PaperSmart portal after its delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-sixth session
Organizational session

Thursday, 21 April 2016

15:00 Conference Room 5

To elect its Bureau. The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2016/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2016/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2016/L.2).

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegation to the Secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fifteenth session

Monday, 9 to Friday, 20 May 2016 Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in document E/C.19/2016/1, and the proposed organization of work is contained in document E/C.19/2016/L.1.

Member States, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to send observers to the session are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations, in advance of the session, to the Secretary of the Forum, Ms. Sonia Elliott (e-mail elliotts@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Only those observers who indicate their participation by *Wednesday, 27 April 2016,* will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the Conference Room 4 on the opening day. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For background and other related documents of the fifteenth session of the Forum, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/indigenous.

The fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will be served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Forum will be available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all available official languages. There will be no circulation of hard copies of documents. However, a print-on-demand service will be available, via which delegates can request for a hard copy at the PaperSmart Desk in the conference room, or by the print-on-demand option on the PaperSmart Portal.

Delegates will be able to e-mail any document or statement to themselves from the Portal. No log in will be required to access the Portal.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically.

The list of speakers will open as of *Monday, 18 April 2016*. Member States and United Nations bodies and specialized agencies wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for a particular item should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Resolution on the estabiishment of a United Nations Live Museum" (under agenda item 122) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Denmark)

Thursday, 14 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room A

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Meeting of the Parliamentary of la Francophonie (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission for the International Organization of la Francophonie (OIF))

Tuesday, 12 and Wednesday, 13 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room A
13:00 to 15:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room A
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room A

For further information, please contact OIF (e-mail reper.new-york@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).

Group of 77 (on Second and Fifth Committee matters)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

11:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

16:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

Arab Group (Second Committee experts)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Event on "Migration, Population and the 2030 Agenda: Collaborating to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for All Through the Perspectives of Migrants and Refugees" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with the Augustinians International, the Federation of Sisters of Saint Joseph, the NGO Committee on Migration, Passionists International and Vincentians International)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

Event on "Progress in Realising the Addis Ababa Promise to the Youth of Africa" (organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Margaret Agondua, Permanent Mission of South Africa (e-mail agonduam@dirco.gov.za; tel. 1 (212) 692-2486).

Panel discussion on "Governing the United Nations Development System to Implement Agenda 2030" (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Julia Blocher, UNU (e-mail blocher@unu.edu; tel. 1 (917) 367-9017); to register, please *click here*.

Event on "Fighting Climate Change: Sharing Italy's Innovative Technologies" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

15:00 to 17:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Paolo Mari, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

Informal consultations on the draft comprehensive convention on international terrorism (convened in the context of the work of the Sixth Committee)

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Special briefing "Belarus–United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA)–United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): History and Development" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus)

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Irina Velichko, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail iravelichko@gmail.com).

Informal briefing on the rule of law, with a focus on children and juveniles, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/118 (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Liechtenstein and Mexico, and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit (Ms. Jane Anttila (e-mail anttila@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4749; or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935).

Briefing in support of an International Day of the Tropics (organized by the Permanent Mission of Australia)

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Julian Simpson, Permanent Mission of Australia (email australia@un.int, tel. 1 (212) 351-6629).

Informal briefing on the work of the International Law Commission (for Sixth Committee delegates) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Italy, Peru and Singapore)

Wednesday, 13 April 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Salvatore Zappalà, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail salvatore.zappala@esteri.it).

Special event on "Trafficking in Persons: Eliminating Forced Labour" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus and the Group of Friends United against Human Trafficking)

Thursday, 14 April 2016

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Irina Velichko, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail iravelichko@gmail.com).

Launch of the 2016 United Nations World Water Report, entitled "Water and Jobs" (organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 14 April 2016

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNESCO New York Office (e-mail newyork@unesco.org).

Briefing on "The Johns Hopkins-Lancet Commission Report on Public Health and International Drug Control" (co-organized by the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the Johns Hopkins University, *The Lancet* and the Global Commission on Drug Policy)

Thursday, 14 April 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact UNAIDS (Mr. Ninan Varughese (e-mail varughesen@unaids.org); or Ms. Franziska Kipp (e-mail kippf@unaids.org)).

Event on "Drugs and the Death Penalty" (co-organized by the Organization of American States (OAS) and Amnesty International)

Friday, 15 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Nicolas Stainfeld, OAS (e-mail oasnyork@gmail.com).

High-level dialogue on "Antimicrobial Resistance" (co-organized by the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) and the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

Monday, 18 April 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Sophie Evekink, WHO (e-mail sevekink@whoun.org; tel. 1 (646) 626-6056); or the FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0986).

Event on "Climate Change for Sustainable and Green Development" (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Tuesday, 19 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room S-310

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Event on "Building a Resilient Future through Water - Connecting the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), in collaboration with the Alliance for Global Water Adaptation and the Rockefeller Foundation)

Wednesday, 20 April 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Sweden (Ms. Anneli Bailey (e-mail anneli.bailey@gov.se; tel. 1 (212) 583-2521); or Ms. Karin Lexén (e-mail karin.lexen@siwi.org)).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names
Twenty-ninth session
Bangkok, Thailand (25-29 April 2016)

The twenty-ninth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document GEGN/29/1. For further information on the session, please *click here*.

Members of the Group of Experts, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session and be included in the *list of participants* are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by means of a note verbale on official letterhead to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; Room S-3073; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Nineteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva (9-13 May 2016)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/246 of 22 July 2015, the nineteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 9, to Friday, 13, May 2016 in Conference Room XVIII, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2016/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Mr. Angel Gonzalez-Sans, Chief, Science, Technology and ICT Branch (tel. 011-41-22-917-5508; fax 01141-22-917-0052; e-mail angel.gonzalez-sanz@unctad.org), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, UNCTAD (tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 01141-22-917-0052; e-mail dong.wu@unctad.org).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here*.

Inquiries on the nineteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

High-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement
Friday, 22 April 2016

The Secretary-General of the United Nations will convene the high-level signature ceremony for the Paris Agreement.

On this occasion, Parties to the UNFCCC will be provided with an opportunity to deliver national statements in parallel sessions, which will be held concurrently with the signing ceremony. In light of time constraints, the length of these statements should not exceed *three minutes*. Delegations wishing to deliver statements should approach Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063, copy to Ms. Mary Muturi, e-mail muturi@un.org), at the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. The list of speakers will be maintained in accordance with customary protocol.

For bilateral meetings, a limited number of temporary booths, with a maximum capacity of eight participants per booth, will be available in the General Assembly Building.

Delegations are requested to submit reservations electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab. The date and time and the name of the other delegation participating in the bilateral meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of 20 minutes, on the hour and half hour. To prevent double bookings, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request.

For further information regarding bilateral requests, please contact bilats-msu@un.org.

Opening for signature of the Paris Agreement
Friday, 22 April 2016

States and regional economic integration organizations intending to sign the Paris Agreement at the high-level signature ceremony convened by the Secretary-General on 22 April 2016 are requested to send to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, as soon as possible and well in advance of the ceremony, a letter or note verbale confirming their participation in the signature ceremony and indicating the name and title of the representative who will sign the Agreement on their behalf. When needed, this communication should be accompanied by the instrument of full powers authorizing the representative to sign the Agreement.

In this regard, it is recalled that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government and Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign the Agreement on behalf of their State without having to produce full powers. Any other representatives wishing to sign the Agreement must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these three authorities.

Contacts: Ms. Dina Hamdy (e-mail hamdyd@un.org); or Ms. Hada Guevara (e-mail guevarah@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

World Humanitarian Summit
Istanbul, Turkey (23-24 May 2016)

The Secretary-General will convene the first World Humanitarian Summit from Monday, 23 to Tuesday, 24 May 2016, in Istanbul, Turkey. For more information on the Summit, please *click here*. Representatives of Member States and Observers of the General Assembly wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers for the plenary session entitled "Member States and other Stakeholders' Announcement Plenary" can contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082; with copy to muturi@un.org). Statements in the Announcement Plenary should not exceed *three minutes*.

2016 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2016 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme is *Friday, 15 April 2016* (Note verbale ODA/01-2016/FP dated 4 January 2016). Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva Branch, Palais des Nations, Room C-113-1, 1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland. Nomination form and other attachments can be found by *clicking here*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (e-mail fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 70/32, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/19-2016/D&D dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/44, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/15-2016/CAC dated 8 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/46, para. 16, entitled "Countering the threat posed by improvised explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/20-2016/IED dated 8 February 2016 refers); and

Resolution 69/57, paras. 2 and 8, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/16-2016/AADU dated 8 February 2016 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line (please *click here*), by *Friday, 29 April 2016*, the information relevant to Resolution 70/21, paras. 1 and 8, entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/17-2017/OIMM dated 8 February 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Call for applications
(15-26 August 2016)

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

The deadline for submitting applications is *Friday, 29 April 2016*. Information concerning the seminar and the application process is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

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For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*), or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Ninth session of the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (14-16 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *April 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council Documentation

Finding Speeches

Law Library Overview

General Assembly Documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

In order to provide timely access, the report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been made available electronically, in an advance unedited version, and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

The report will be issued as an official document in due course, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's own report, which will be based on the Panel's important findings.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 7 April 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

376th meeting

Adoption of the agenda

The Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting.

The situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and developments in the political process

The Chair made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine made a statement.

Report on the United Nations Roundtable on Legal Aspects of the Question of Palestine, held from 15 to 17 March 2016 in Amman, Jordan

The Rapporteur (Permanent Representative of Malta) of the Committee delivered the report.

The Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

International Conference on the Question of Jerusalem, to be held on 3 and 4 May 2016 in Dakar, Senegal (Working Paper No. 2)

The Chair made a statement.

A representative from Senegal made a statement.

The Permanent Representative of Namibia made a statement.

The Director of the Division for Palestinian Rights made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine made a statement.

The Committee approved Working Paper No. 2.

Activities of the Working Group

The Chair (Deputy Permanent Representative of Malta) of the Working Group of the Committee made a statement.

The Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine made a statement.

The Chair made a statement.

Other matters

The Chair made a statement.

The Deputy Permanent Representative of Indonesia made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Accession: Guinea (6 April 2016)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Accession: Guinea (8 April 2016)

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Accession: Samoa (8 April 2016)

International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism. New York, 13 April 2005

Ratification: Argentina (8 April 2016)

Doha Amendment to the Kyoto Protocol. Doha, 8 December 2012

Acceptance: Guinea (6 April 2016)

Intergovernmental Agreement on Dry Ports. Bangkok, 1 May 2013

Accession: Kazakhstan (8 April 2016)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Uganda
His Excellency Richard Nduhuura

Asia-Pacific States
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
His Excellency Gholamali Khoshroo

Eastern European States
Belarus
His Excellency Andrei Dapkiunas

Latin American and Caribbean States
Argentina
His Excellency Martín García Moritán

Western European and other States
Malta
His Excellency Christopher Grima

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of informal and formal meetings of the General Assembly for the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For broadcast TV coverage, please contact Mr. David Woodie/DPI (e-mail woodie@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9399);

For webcasting and UN Web TV, please contact Mr. Andreas Damianou/DPI (e-mail damianou@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6733);

For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

For loaning of technological equipment (PC, printer, etc.), please contact OICT/DM (e-mail itservices@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3333).

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Request for the use of the General Assembly Hall

The reservation of the General Assembly Hall is now managed by the Meeting Management Section, Central Planning and Coordination Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management. Requests for the use of the General Assembly Hall should be addressed to Mr. Xuesong Ma, Director, Central Planning and Coordination Division (e-mail max@un.org; Room S-1232).

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

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